



# APARIMA MATTERS

## E ngā mātāwaka o Aparima, tēnā koutou katoa.

Welcome back to Term 2 at Aparima College. It is very exciting to be here as Principal and I thoroughly enjoyed the warm welcome I received at the pōwhiri on Monday 30 April. Many thanks to Leah Fraser and Ray Laurenson from the College for organising this day and also to Whaea Phillipa Tenaki Hakopa from Ōraka Aparima Rūnanga who provided excellent advice and support for us in this process. It was really good to see people from the Community coming to the pōwhiri and supporting the College. Thank you for your attendance and continued support.

It has been a whirlwind start to the Term with my main focus getting to know the staff and as many of the students as possible. It has been a pleasure to see the quality teaching and learning occurring here at the College and I look forward to sharing that with you on a regular basis.

Over the coming weeks there will be some events happening that will enable me to meet more of the community and parents, which I am eager to do. Further details will be sent out to keep you updated, but please do not hesitate to contact Joanne Daly at the school office on 234-8900 if you would like to come and see me - my door is open!

Heoi anō tāku mō nāiane  
Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou

*Cameron Davis*  
**PRINCIPAL**



## PTA Thank You

A massive thank you to all for your contributions to help our PTA serve a lovely morning tea following the Powhiri to welcome our new Principal Mr Cameron Davis. Particular mention must be made of one amazing mum Marina Seager who made 180 pikelets for the students and special guests to enjoy and also thank you to Jan Ross who whipped her sleeves up and helped the whole morning out in the kitchen.

We will be holding our AGM on Wednesday 6 June 2018 and we desperately need your support with new committee members coming on board. We would love to see new face with exciting new ideas and your enthusiasm to carry on the support we give to all our students, staff and the school community.

*by Leigh Ronald*

## Our new Junior Block

Check out our new Junior Block which is now fully finished and the students have moved in. Nothing beats the smell of new paint and carpet. The students are impressed and the teachers are too.....



## Aparima College Clay Target Shooting Team

A very sincere thank you to the Trustees of Riverton Op-Shop who have recently gifted us a donation towards our travelling cost to take the College Team up to Christchurch in September 2018 for the National Championships. We are very appreciative of all the great work these Trustees do in the running of the Op-Shop and all that they give to our local community.

Remember to circle the date of the 27 May when we will once again be holding our major fundraiser of a Fun Sporting Claybird Shoot up at Bryan and Kyla Bickley's Property. If you had a miserable opening to duck shooting weekend, here is your chance to challenge your shooting accuracy. This will be a super fun day with lots of prizes, raffles and a bbq.

*by Leigh Ronald*

**Good Luck to our Year 7/8 Girls and Boys Basketballers who are heading into the semi-finals next Tuesday - we wish them all the best.**



# Opening of The Wool Shed – 30 April

For the first two weeks of Term 2, Aparima College has hosting The Wool Shed. This is a container that houses samples of wool and information about the wool-growing process. The South Island Wool Shed had not yet been officially declared open, and so a Grand Opening ceremony was held with Craig Smith from the ‘Campaign for Wool’, representatives from PGG Wrightsons (who sponsor the Shed), local craftspeople, our Aparima College student leaders, and others interested in the future of wool. Conversation revolved around the awesome properties of wool, and the important place of wool in our Southland culture. The Wool Shed was open for parties of up to eight visitors at any one time, and took about 30 minutes to tour through. Aparima students have toured through with their classes, and were amazed to discover, amongst other things, that the tennis balls used at Wimbledon are made from New Zealand wool, and that an unwashed fleece is extremely heavy when you try it on! Other students felt the texture of lanolin for the first time, and tried knitting with enormous needles.

by Lynne Grove



## Fundraising

Tony Watson our Year 12 student will be at the Riverton SuperValue all day on Saturday 12 May selling a wood raffle to raise funds to go on a student exchange to Ireland in August this year. \$2 each or 3 for \$5. If you are about on Saturday please come and support Tony.

## Teacher Only Day – Friday 1 June 2018

A Southland Rural Teacher’s Only Day is to be held on Friday 1 June 2018 to allow all staff members to participate in Professional Development. Therefore the school will be closed for student instruction for all Year levels. The office will also be closed.

# Cross Country

Aparima College Cross Country was held on Friday 4 May – Riverton put on a beautiful day and all students went out and gave it a go. Results are as follows:  
**Senior Boys** Henry Wallace 17:52, **Senior Girls** Amy Rule and Sarah Westenra, **Under 16 Boys** Adam Winders, **Under 16 Girls** Lisa Jenkins, **Under 15 Boys** Levi Mennell, **Under 15 girls** Mackenzie Shaw, **Under 14 Boys** Logan Murdoch, **Under 14 Girls** Rose Winders, **Under 13 Boys** Aiden Turner, **Under 13 Girls** Alice Smith, **Under 12 Girls** Neosha Grimwood, **Under 12 Boys** Gabriel Robinson. Well done to you all.





## Road Safety Week

As part of the Level 1 English course, Year 11 have been investigating issues around Road Safety, which is useful, as most of us are learning to drive this year. On Tuesday 8 May the students organised a maze in order to represent SADD (Students Against Dangerous Driving) during Road Safety Week. The purpose of the maze was to educate students on making wise decisions when driving. We were lucky enough to have four Southland Sharks players come and help run the maze, as well as Maureen Deuchrass from Road Safety Southland. Mrs Deuchrass also brought out some vision impairing goggles for the students to try. They had a blast. It was a good day and lots of the students turned up to join in the fun. The lunchtime visit was topped off with an awesome display of the Sharks' slam-dunking skills in the gym. Special thanks to the Sharks players and Mrs Deuchrass who kindly gave up their time for a good cause. We hope that all our students will remember these road safety tips when they are out and about on Southland's roads.

by *Olivia Black*



## Pizza Anyone.....

This yummy pizza is Jayson's reward for reading seven books as part of the Hell's Pizza Reading Challenge for Year 7 and 8.

Jayson had the idea of starting a Literature Club during lunchtimes at school. Hell's Pizza offer a free pizza for any Year 7/8 student who reads seven books and brings in an official pizza disc signed by the school. At present we have 22 students who are part of the Challenge.

They should read books at their reading level and then share them with Mrs Wallace or one of the teachers. When they have read 7 books, they win themselves a free pizza, which they can collect at any time from Hell's Pizza in Invercargill. Students can complete as many discs as they can until 3rd December, so there is plenty of chance for other students to join in.

As this Challenge is only available to years 7 and 8, we have created a different challenge for Year 9-13 students - Book Bingo! Students should read 9 books and tick them off against the categories on a Book Bingo card by sharing them with their teacher. Completed bingo cards win a \$10 canteen voucher from the school canteen.

by *Mrs Grove*



## Support Aparima College Riverton and you'll be rewarded!

We are raising funds for our fundraising and you can help. Order the NEW 2018 | 2019 Entertainment Book or Entertainment Digital Membership and you will receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and you will also be supporting our fundraiser. PLUS, order now to receive **over \$200** of bonus Early Bird Offers (hurry, these sell out quickly). Please contact Leigh Ronald 03 224 6130. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**



## Aparima College Board of Trustee Elections 2018

The elections for a new Board of Trustees are to be held shortly. This is for a term of approximately one year and a fresh election will be held in mid 2019 to realign the school with the national triennial election process.

Key dates for the election process are:

10 May	Nominations Close at noon (12:00pm)
15 May	Voting Papers Issued by
24 May	Voting Day
30 May	Count Votes
31 May	Board/Staff take office

A role needs to be complied of all eligible voters. To help bring the roll up to date could you please inspect the roll at the College Office. Please make sure you are on the roll (particularly addresses, as at each election we have voting envelopes returned because people have moved and not advised the school) this is so you can receive nomination forms and voting papers. **Note to Remember:** The school term finishes 13 April and Term 2 restarts on 30 April 2018. Any queries contact Lynette Heath, Returning Officer, phone 021 354494 or email [heathfam@outlook.co.nz](mailto:heathfam@outlook.co.nz)

## Up and Coming Events

8 – 11 May 2018	Road Safety Week
9 May 2018	Safety n Action Training Year 11's
9 – 11 May 2018	Work Exploration Week Y12-13's
17 May 2018	Dragons Den – SIT 9:45am – 12 noon
18 May 2018	Pink Shirt Day
27 May 2018	Aparima College Clay Target Shooting Fundraiser
<b>1 June 2018</b>	<b>Teacher Only Day</b>
5 June 2018	PPTA Union Meeting <i>school closing at 1:00pm</i>
<b>6 June 2018</b>	<b>PTA AGM – Room 5 – 6:00pm</b>

### SPORTS

14-16 May 2018	OREC Ropes Course
16 May 2018	Southland Cross Country Champs
6 June 2018	7 Aside Tournament – Northern Southland College



# Community Notice

## **Patchwork with Angela Richardson at Aparima College:**

Beginners to Advance. Everyone Welcome. \$40 per day. 9:30am to 4:30pm. Saturday 26 May 2018 and 23 June 2018. For more information please ring Kathleen Hancox 224 6209 or register at Aparima College 234 8900.

## **Winton Football Club:**

**GIRLS ONLY** - Southland Football is running 8 weeks of girls only football in groups of 9 & 10, 11 & 12 and 13 & 14 years. These are to be held on Friday afternoons starting 18 May, 4-5pm on the ILT Football turf. A great taster if you have not played before or some extra coaching if you are a club or college player already. Registered club players are free, all others \$20 for the season. Registration can be done on line once you click on 'read more' on the article in the latest news at [www.southlandfootball.org.nz/](http://www.southlandfootball.org.nz/) All enquiries to: [jack@southlandfootball.org.nz](mailto:jack@southlandfootball.org.nz)

## **Mature Drivers Refresher Course – coming back to Riverton:**

This programme is designed to allow older drivers to update their knowledge of the road rules – this is an opportunity to learn from a number of speakers, how to ensure you remain a safe driver, there will also be discussion on the rules around mobility scooters. **THERE IS NO TEST INVOLVED!!!** This programme is **free** to attend **BUT** booking is essential as a light lunch will be provided. **Date:** 10am-2.30pm Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June. Please phone Eileen at Community House 234 8206 to register.

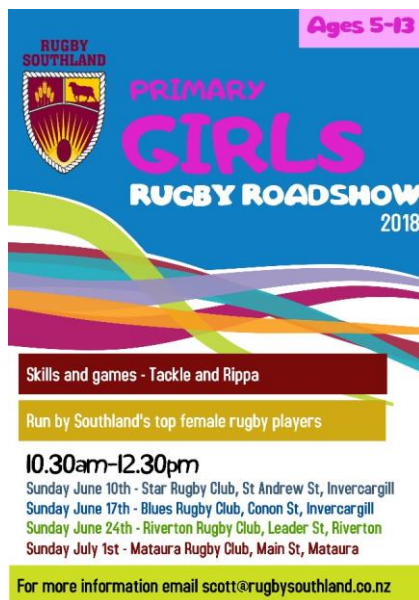
## **First Kicks – Southland Football:**

For all kids aged 4-6 years. Every Monday in Term 2, Starting 30 April, Ending 2 July. 4 – 5pm @ ILT Stadium Southland. Please visit [www.southlandfootball.org.nz](http://www.southlandfootball.org.nz) for more information.

## **Riverton Community Medical Trust AGM**

17 May 2018  
7.30pm

6 Verdun Street All Welcome  
Contact J Anderson 03 2348-478



**RUGBY SOUTHLAND**  
**PRIMARY GIRLS**  
**RUGBY ROADSHOW 2018**  
**Ages 5-13**

Skills and games - Tackle and Rippa  
Run by Southland's top female rugby players

**10.30am-12.30pm**  
Sunday June 10th - Star Rugby Club, St Andrew St, Invercargill  
Sunday June 17th - Blues Rugby Club, Conon St, Invercargill  
Sunday June 24th - Riverton Rugby Club, Leader St, Riverton  
Sunday July 1st - Maitua Rugby Club, Main St, Maitua

For more information email [scott@rugbysouthland.co.nz](mailto:scott@rugbysouthland.co.nz)

## **APARIMA COLLEGE CLAY SHOOTING TEAM FUNDRAISER**

To help send College Shooting Team to National Competitions  
In Christchurch 29<sup>th</sup> Sept – 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018



Clay Target Sporting Shoot

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2018

\$40.00 Registration  
(60 Targets)

Start 10.00 – 10:30 am

Bryan & Kyla Bickley's Rock Quarry

111 Carran Road, Waipango, Riverton

Ammunition available to purchase (Must have Firearms  
Licence)

BBQ, Raffles & Prizes.

For inquiries Leigh Ronald Ph 2246130 Neill & Keri Horrell  
Ph 2246056



## **AGM**

**Aparima College PTA**

Wednesday 6 June at 6:00pm

Room 5 (new Junior Block)

Light refreshments to be served

Aparima College PTA need the support of all our students parents and caregivers to come onto our committee. We would love to welcome new faces along, who can offer new ideas, be enthusiastic and offer support within our brilliant school. So please consider putting your hand up and taking on the challenge of being on Aparima College PTA Committee.

**Leigh Ronald President**

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